

SOCIETY

Yuletide Brilliant in Society

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WITH Christmas just a week away, society is engaged with plans for the Yuletide season which promises extreme brilliancy in all circles. What with shopping, attending benefits and arranging community celebrations for the less fortunate, planning festivities for holiday guests, launching debutantes, and following the usual routine of social obligations, the position of society leader (to state it mildly) entails responsibilities during the joyous season. "Christmas en famille" is no longer strictly fashionable, but the spirit of good will which extends far beyond the individual hearthstone is the more beautiful in its modern interpretation.

The White House reception with the judiciary as the special guests, will be the bright particular star in the social firmament this week, just as the Cabinet dinner led the festivities of the week just closed. An interesting house party was entertained at the Executive Mansion on the occasion of the first official dinner party when other cities than the Capital were represented on the guest list. The President's brother, Mr. Joseph Wilson, came over from Baltimore with his charming daughter, who has been long heralded as the next White House debutante. Williamstown, Mass., was represented by no less distinguished folk than Dr. and Mrs. Harry A. Garfield, son and daughter-in-law of the late President Garfield.

There were several absentees from the Cabinet circle at the dinner. The Secretary of War was away on a Western trip; the Secretary of the Interior is still engaged with the Mexican commission at Atlantic City, and Mrs. Lane is with him, and the Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Wilson were unable to attend because of illness.

The second official dinner of the season was given Friday evening by the Vice President and Mrs. Marshall, who entertained in brilliant fashion for the President and Mrs. Wilson. The Secretary of State and Mrs. Lansing will be hosts to the Chief Executive and Mrs. Wilson at dinner on the evening of January 11; the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. McAdoo will dine them on January 15; the Secretary of War and Mrs. Baker will give a dinner party for them January 18, and the Attorney General and Mrs. Gregory will entertain in their honor January 22.

Mrs. Lansing entertained the Cabinet hostesses at luncheon on Wednesday, the occasion being the first social meeting of the Cabinet circle this season. Commencing January 1, the official hostesses will observe their Wednesday afternoons at home, though Mrs. Baker, wife of the Secretary of War, already receives informally every Wednesday.

Christmas visitors are arriving and the next few days will bring a great influx of young folk

from the schools and colleges, for whose entertainment elaborate plans are being made. Christmas Day has every hour filled with gayeties, chief among the brilliant events being the ball at Rauscher's for the benefit of the Children's Country Home, which has gathered a distinguished list of box holders and subscribers and promises phenomenal success. The remainder of Yuletide week bids fair to be a whirl of balls and dinners and teas, designed mainly to honor the debutante coterie, and carrying the season up to the very threshold of the New Year, when the appearance of official hostesses will give fresh impetus to the social program.

Unique in interest among the before-Christmas charities is the recital to be given Thursday afternoon by Monsieur Derue, the eminent Belgian violinist, for the benefit of the Belgian prisoners of war in Germany. The Belgian committee, which is arranging the benefit, is under the New York committee, which is in turn a branch of the London committee of which Lady Alice Lowther is president. The recital, which is under the patronage of the Minister of Belgium and Mme. Havenith, will be held in the spacious ballroom of Mrs. Henry P. Dimock's residence in Scott circle.

MISS MARIE LOUISE HINTON, lovely Southern girl, who is visiting Representative and Mrs. Young and Miss Imogene Young, assisting at Miss Young's debut yesterday. Miss Hinton, whose home is at Memphis, Tenn., attended a fashionable seminary in Washington last winter.



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To Ward Off Winter Complexion Ills

To keep the face smooth, white and beautiful all winter, there's nothing quite so good as ordinary mercolized wax. Rough, chapped or discolored skin, inevitable in this weather, is gently absorbed by the wax and replaced by the newer, fresher skin beneath. The face exhibits no trace of the wax, the latter being applied at bedtime and washed off morning. Creams, powders and rouges, on the other hand, are apt to appear conspicuous at this season, because of alternating expansion and contraction of the skin, due to changing temperatures. You are advised to try this simple treatment. Get an ounce of mercolized wax at any drug store and use like cold cream. This will help your skin at once, and in a week or so the complexion will look remarkably youthful and healthy.

Winds and fling dust often cause pinching and other contortions which make wrinkles. You can quickly get rid of every wrinkle, however pronounced, by using a harness face bath made by dissolving one ounce powdered vasoline in one-half pint witch hazel.—Adv.

Prominent Folk

The French Ambassador and Mme. Jules J. Jusserand, who attended the "Made in America Bazaar" in Philadelphia last week, have returned to Washington.

The Brazilian Ambassador and Mme. da Gama have returned to Washington from a visit to New York. The governor of New York and Mrs. Whitman, who came to Washington for the governors' conference, were the guests of the Ambassador and Mme. da Gama.

The Siamese Minister has sent out invitations for a dinner January 1 in honor of his royal highness, Prince Mandol, who is at college in this country and who will be a guest during the holidays of the Minister and Lady Prabha Karavongse.

The first secretary of the Siamese Legation, Mr. Edward H. Loftus, and Mrs. Loftus have returned to Washington from London, where they were called on account of illness in both Mr. Loftus' and Mrs. Loftus' family.

Mme. Panaretov, wife of the Bulgarian

Minister, left Washington Friday for Boston, where she will spend a week or ten days.

The Secretary of the Navy, who went to Norfolk to attend the Southern Commercial Congress, returned to Washington yesterday. Mrs. Daniels, who accompanied him, going later to Raleigh for a visit, has also returned.

The Secretary of Commerce has returned to Washington from Norfolk, where he addressed the Southern Commercial Congress.

Secretary and Mrs. Redfield will go to Brooklyn December 22 to spend Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Drury, who are spending the winter at the Brooklyn home of the Redfields. Their son, Mr. Humphrey Redfield, who is in business in New York, will be with them.

Weddings

The marriage of Miss Helen Brannon Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Richard Smith, and Lieut. John

Howard Hoover, U. S. N., will take place Tuesday evening, December 26, at 8 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's parents in Nineteenth street.

The ceremony will be performed by Mr. Mackin in the presence of a small company of relatives and intimate friends of the young couple.

The bride will be unattended, but Lieut. J. Vance Ogan, U. S. N., will act as best man for the bridegroom.

An informal reception for the guests present at the ceremony will follow, and later Lieut. Hoover and his bride will leave for a short wedding trip. They will be at home at the Navy Yard after January 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Maxwell Henry have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lucy Allen Roberts, U. S. A., son of Gen. and Mrs. A. S. Roberts, of Austin, Tex. The wedding will take place later in the winter.

The marriage of Miss Alice Hanford Smith, daughter of the Commissioner of Fisheries and Mrs. Hugh McCormick Smith, to Dr. Edmund Vincent Cowdry, of Baltimore, will take place Wednesday, December 27, at 2 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, in M street, in the presence of only relatives and close friends. A number of entertainments have been planned for the bride and Dr. and Mrs. Smith will entertain a large house party of young people from out of town for several days, with a constant round of gayety.

Miss Louise Vallie Camp, daughter of Mr. Guy W. A. Camp, will be married to Mr. Ellwood Kempton Pierce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick E. Pierce, of Roselle, N. J., tomorrow at noon, at the home of Mr. Camp on Park road. The ceremony, which will be performed by Cannon Austin, of All Saints Episcopal Church, Chevy Chase, will be followed by a breakfast for the relatives and intimate friends who witness the service.

Miss Camp is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Millard F. Fillmore, of Washington, the former a nephew of President Fillmore.

Miss Camp would have been a debutante two seasons ago but owing to the death of her mother, formerly Miss Susie Fillmore, at that time, her debut was delayed. Mrs. Robert Norfleet, of Suffolk, Va., formerly Miss Lottie Fillmore, has come to Washington for the marriage of Miss Camp, who is her niece.

Invitations have been sent out for the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Phipps Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donnell Marshall, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. William Walker Darr, on December 28, at the Church of the Ascension, Pittsburgh. Miss Dorothy Marshall will be her sister's maid of honor and the bridesmaids will be Miss Ruth Latimer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Latimer, of Washington; Miss Isabel Wanamaker, of Philadelphia; and Miss Peggy Jenkins and Miss Helen Morrison, of Pittsburgh. Miss Marshall is a niece of Mrs. Maurice Clagett, of Washington, who will go to Pittsburgh for the wedding, accompanied by Miss Irene Noble and Miss Schwarzkoff. Miss Marshall's mother before her marriage was Miss Dora Noble, of Washington.

The marriage of Miss Virginia Stealey Huddleston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Huddleston, and Mr. M. Bonaparte Swanson, took place Thursday evening at the home of the bride's cousin, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Bouie, in Ashmed place. The Rev. George F. Dudley officiated in the presence of a small gathering of relatives and intimate friends.

The drawing-room was decorated with white roses, Southern smilax, and palms. White pink roses and smilax were used in the dining-room.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white charmeuse and tulle with a bodice of tulle, embroidered in pearls.

A court train, trimmed with orange blossoms, hung from the shoulders. She

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